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(5596-00400)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/675,258
Filed: September 28, 2000
Inventor(s): Nobuyoshi Morimoto

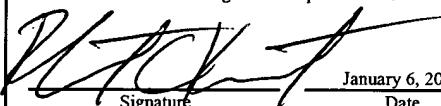
Examiner: Nguyen, M.
Group/Art Unit: 2171
Atty. Dkt. No: 5596-00400

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD
FOR TRACKING AND
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Name of Registered Representative


Signature

January 6, 2003
Date

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of November 7, 2002, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 4, 7-8, 10-23, 28, 41-42, 44-45, 49, and 50-51. Please add claims 53-74. Please cancel claims 6, 24-27, 29-40, 43, 48, and 52. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is attached.

1. (Amended) A method for shipping goods, wherein the method comprises:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fee to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzl, P.C. Deposit Account Number 501505/5596-00400/RCK:

Fee: Excess Claims **Amount:** \$60.00(small entity) **Atty Dckt No.:** 5596-00400

Respectfully submitted,

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for such extensions. If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Conley, Rose, & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5596-00400/RCK.

Also enclosed herewith are the following items:

- Return Receipt Postcard
- Petition for Extension of Time
- Request for Approval of Drawing Changes
- Notice of Change of Address
- Marked-up Copy of Amended Claims
- Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit in the amount of \$60.00 for fees (1 additional independent claim, 2 additional total claims).
- Copies of previously submitted Forms PTO-1449

Respectfully submitted,



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